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CELLULOSE PULP FIBERS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

The species of FIGURE 2 corresponding to Claims 1, 5-11, and 13-18 is hereby elected in response to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121.

If the Examiner has any further comments or questions regarding this Restriction Requirement, he is invited to call applicant's attorney at the number listed below. Otherwise, applicant looks forward to an action on the merits.

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